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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the relevant listed documents required by 37 C.F.R.

§ 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Pursuant to the waiver of the rules change effective June 30, 2003, Information Disclosure Statements may be filed without copies of U.S. patents and U.S. published applications for applications filed after June 30, 2003, (see 37 CFR 1.98 (a) (2) (i)). Copies of U.S. patent documents are not required and therefore are not being submitted herewith inasmuch as the captioned application was filed in the USPTO after June 30, 2003.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be

construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

Pursuant to the undersigned attorney's obligation and duties under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.98(a)(3) and (c), partial translations and/or English language abstracts corresponding to foreign patent documents CN 79201549, CN 80211449, CN 81210414, CN 81215470, EP 0 022 933, EP 0 069 410, EP 0 105 955, EP 0 488 278, EP 0 517 615 , EP 0 549 026, EP 0 559 185, DE 27 33 322, DE 28 36 216, DE 29 40 250, DE 33 34 424, DE 35 37 203, DE 35 30 868, DE 36 17 539, DE 36 35 044, DE 36 35 243, DE 38 05 771, DE 38 17 761, DE 38 34 614, DE 38 37 727, DE 39 16 474, DE 40 41 157, DE 40 20 868, DE 40 38 059, DE 41 00 641, DE 41 14 101, DE 42 20 332, DE 43 06 546, DE 42 19 599, JP 57-89944, SU 1065262, CH 663713 and WO 92/20262, which are not in English, are included for the express purpose of providing a concise explanation of the references to the Patent and Trademark Office with the opportunity to evaluate the same. Applicants further note for the Examiner's attention that G 82 17 774.0 and G 90 04 951.9, which are not in English, appear to be related to EP 0 069 410 and EP 0 455 187 respectively, for which English language abstracts are provided.

In addition, based solely upon a review of the drawing figures by the undersigned attorney with opportunity for the Examiner to evaluate the same, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to (1) Figures 1-9 of French reference 820,791, which appear to disclose various tiltable chair embodiments, (2) Figures 1-4 of Italian reference 221219, which appear to disclose various tilt assemblies for a chair, (3) Figures 1-3 of Italian reference 7056-B/90, which appear to disclose a chair control mechanism, and (4)

Figures 1-3 of Italian reference 7057-B/90, which appear to disclose a chair control mechanism.

It is believed that none of these references, alone or in proper combination, disclose or suggest the invention claimed by the Applicants. Moreover, submission of these references is not an admission by Applicants that any of these references constitutes prior art or is material to the claimed subject matter, and Applicants reserve the right to disqualify any reference by an earlier date of invention, if appropriate. Nevertheless, it is Applicants' desire to have these references available in the record for both the Examiner and the public to see. Applicants therefore request that the Examiner review the entire disclosure of each reference and make all references of record.

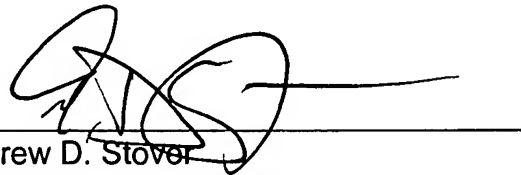
This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lyon Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

This application is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 10/256, 671, filed September 27, 2002 which is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 09/859, 694, filed May 17, 2001, which is a continuation application of U.S. Serial No. 08/347, 475, which is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US93/05731, filed June 15, 1993, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. 07/898, 907,

filed June 15, 1992, all of which are relied upon for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Accordingly, although Applicants are not obligated to provide copies of references cited in these cases pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d), Applicants have provided a courtesy copy of the non-U.S. patent references to facilitate the Examiner's review.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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	A58	3,436,048	04/1969	Greer		
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